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Disk For Recording Information, And A Disk Device

For Recording

REAFFIRMATION OF CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR §1.55, Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 8-189058, filed in Japan on July 18, 1996 and Japanese Patent Application No. 8-282068, filed in Japan on October 24, 1996.

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